

Prayer of Confession

With our hearts and our minds let us pray to God responding "Forgive us".

God of all mercy we confess before you and one another the ways we have been unfaithful to your call to reconciliation.

For the times we chose charity over community with people who are homeless, poor, or unemployed...God in your mercy,

Forgive us

For the ways we build walls that prevent gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people from full inclusion in your church...God in your mercy,

Forgive us

For being satisfied with superficial race relations instead of radically confronting the sin of racism...God in your mercy,

Forgive us

For explicitly and implicitly denying differently abled people a place at your table...God in your mercy

Forgive us

For human language and actions that render women invisible...God in your mercy

Forgive us

For all the ways we limit the width of your arms, the scope of your justice, and the depth of your love...God in your mercy

Forgive us

Sacred Worth is a Divinity School student group dedicated to the affirmation, support, and full inclusion of lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people in the life of the church. Sacred Worth also uplifts straight allies who embody love and support of their brothers and sisters in Christ.

WORSHIP SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN RECONCILIATION

*"UNITING THE BODY OF CHRIST;
CELEBRATING THE DIVERSITY OF GOD'S CREATION"*



ALL ARE WELCOME

Goodson Chapel, Duke Divinity School

September 20, 2005

Sponsored by Sacred Worth

A SERVICE OF RECONCILIATION

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Entrance & Praise

Gathering		Bishop Minnick
Prelude	<i>Praise to the Lord</i>	Arr. E. Herr
Invocation		
Hymn of Praise	<i>Gather Us In</i>	2236

Proclamation of God's Word

Scripture Reading		
Hymn	<i>Help Us Accept Each Other</i>	560
Sermon	<i>Dragons Among Us</i>	Laurie Hays Coffman

Response to God's Word

Prayers of Confession	<i>(back of bulletin)</i>	
Assurance of Pardon		
Passing of the Peace	<i>(Reuniting the Body)</i>	
Hymn	<i>Bind Us Together</i>	2226
Lord's Prayer		

Sending Forth

Hymn	<i>In the Midst of New Dimensions</i>	2238
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Voluntary in C</i>	Dean Bye



Please take a rainbow ribbon as you depart. We ask that you wear these throughout the week in recognition of our Prayers of Reconciliation.

This Service Of Reconciliation reminds us that all of God's people are called to worship, praise and be in ministry as the Body of Christ. As called, redeemed, and reconciled sisters and brothers in Christ, we are formed into the bonds of Christian Community, leaving no one outside of the church.



As part of the spirit of Reconciliation, participation in today's service came from a variety of denominations. The following denominations were represented by the faithful ministry of their members:

Episcopal Church
Evangelical Lutheran Church
Metropolitan Community Church
Non-Denominational Affiliation
Presbyterian Church
Southern Baptist
United Church of Christ
United Methodist Church



We offer special appreciation to:

Dr. Zoila Airall, Organist (Calvary United Methodist Church, Assistant Vice President of Student Affairs-Duke University)

Sally Bates (Duke Divinity School Chaplain)

Rev. Laurie Hays Coffman, Minister (Calvary United Methodist Church)

Dr. Mary McClintock-Fulkerson (Sacred Worth Advisor)

Ferry Poynter (Center for LGBT Life at Duke University)

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